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PATENT APPLICATION
DOCKET NO. 1407.1037-009
Expedited Procedure under 37 C.F.R. 1.116
Examining Group 1714

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Anuj Bellare, Wolfgang Fitz, Andreas H. Gomoll, Richard D. Scott and
Thomas S. Thornhill

Application No.: 10/734,652 Group: 1714

Filed: December 12, 2003 Examiner: Yoon, Tae H

Confirmation No.: 8950

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment for filing in the above-identified application.

- ☒ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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- ☒ Applicant petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for filing a Notice of Appeal in reply to the Office Action made Final dated February 7, 2007 for one month, from May 7, 2007 to June 7, 2007 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a). Applicant is not filing a Notice of Appeal at this time but is filing an Amendment After Final concurrently herewith.

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